

Operative G T Purdy

Oct. 29th, 1926

Re: Shots heard in the vicinity of the Phillips farm  
the night of Sept. 14th, 1922.

Norman E. Tingle, c/o Buick Agency at 68 French Street at the time of the murder lived about 300 yards from the Phillips Farm House and states that on that night he heard shots at about 10:40 P.M. and clearly recalls them. He was sitting on the front porch of his house with his wife and they saw a shooting star and his wife then said, "This is a sure sign of death".

Later they heard shots and the wife remarked, "I told you that star was a sign of death". Mr. Tingle is not positive of the time he hears these shots, but states that he does not believe that Mrs. Hoag ever heard the shots she claims to have heard, as he has heard it rumored around that she and her husband were in bed and not on the porch or in the yard as she had stated.

Mr. Tingle further states that Mr. McCabe, who also stated that he heard the shots is so deaf that if you were standing 20 feet from him and fired a shot behind him he would not hear it.

Mr. Tingle could not give further information of interest.

Respectfully submitted:

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